

Senate Study Bill 1138 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON EDUCATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON QUIRMBACH)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act to raise the maximum compulsory school attendance age.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 299.1A, subsection 1, Code 2015, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3, a child
4 who has reached the age of six and is under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen
5 years of age by September 15 is of compulsory attendance age.
6 However, if a child enrolled in a school district or accredited
7 nonpublic school reaches the age of ~~sixteen~~ eighteen on or
8 after September 15, the child remains of compulsory age until
9 the end of the regular school calendar.

10 Sec. 2. STATE MANDATE FUNDING SPECIFIED. In accordance
11 with section 25B.2, subsection 3, the state cost of requiring
12 compliance with any state mandate included in this Act shall
13 be paid by a school district from state school foundation aid
14 received by the school district under section 257.16. This
15 specification of the payment of the state cost shall be deemed
16 to meet all of the state funding-related requirements of
17 section 25B.2, subsection 3, and no additional state funding
18 shall be necessary for the full implementation of this Act
19 by and enforcement of this Act against all affected school
20 districts.

21 EXPLANATION

22 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
23 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

24 This bill raises the maximum compulsory school attendance
25 age from 16 to 18.

26 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
27 section 25B.3. The bill requires that the state cost of
28 any state mandate included in the bill be paid by a school
29 district from state school foundation aid received by the
30 school district under Code section 257.16. The specification
31 is deemed to constitute state compliance with any state mandate
32 funding-related requirements of Code section 25B.2. The
33 inclusion of this specification is intended to reinstate the
34 requirement of political subdivisions to comply with any state
35 mandates included in the bill.